

Media Advisory

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MEDIA ADVISORY

"Copper is commerce" news conference with U.S. and state legislators

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Media professionals please join us for an informal news conference to discuss the economic impact of mining, particularly copper mining, to Arizona's economy.

We have commitments to attend from U.S. Rep. Paul Gosar, State Rep. Tom Forese, who chairs the Committee on Commerce, and Kelly Norton, President of the Arizona Mining Association.

The news conference will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the Members Lounge on the second floor of the House of Representatives Monday, Dec. 16, 2013 - a half-hour before the Committee on Commerce begins its already scheduled meeting in House Hearing Room 3.

Copper has been and continues to be one of Arizona's primary industries in terms of employment and economic impact. Last year copper contributed \$4.8 billion to Arizona's economy and employed 52,000 Arizonans.

Please RSVP to Christopher Leone if you plan to attend the media only news conference.

WHO: U.S. Rep. Paul Gosar, State Rep. Tom Forese and Kelly Norton, President of the Arizona

Mining Association

WHAT: News conference for media professionals only

WHEN: Monday, Dec. 16, 2013, at 2:30 p.m., a half-hour before the special meeting of the

Committee on Commerce

WHERE: The Members Lounge on the second floor of the Arizona House of Representatives, 1700

W. Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007

WHY: To discuss economic impact of mining, particularly copper mining, to Arizona's economy